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TO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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SUBJ: POSSIBLE EXIM FINANCING OF LOCOMOTIVES FOR KENYA

REF: NAIROBI 4709

1. EXIM APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S OFFER TO RELAY QUERIES ON PROPOSED KENYA RAILWAY TO IBRD STUDY MISSION PRESENTLY IN NAIROBI.

2. EXIM WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE FOLLOWING:

- A. WHEN THE BREAKUP OF EAR WILL OCCUR.
- B. FINANCIAL STRUCTURE OF THE NEW KENYAN RAILWAY - I.E., PERCENT OF DEBT AND PERCENT OF EQUITY.
- C. HOW EAR'S ASSETS WILL BE DIVIDED AMONG THE THREE COUNTRIES.
- D. WILL THE OBLIGOR FOR THE PENDING LOCOMOTIVE PURCHASE BE THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE OR WILL IT BE "KENYA RAILWAYS"?

3. ON FINANCIAL BASIS, EXIM NEEDS PROJECTED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO INCLUDE PRO-FORMA INCOME STATEMENTS, PRO-FORMA BALANCE SHEETS AND PRO-FORMA SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS FOR THE 1977

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THROUGH 1981 PERIOD (5 YEARS).

4. ON A TECHNICAL BASIS, EXIM NEEDS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THE NEW KENYA RAILWAYS:

- A. ROUTE MILES LENGTH OF TRACK.
 - B. MAJOR CITIES AND TOWNS SERVED OR OTHER FUNCTIONS.
 - C. FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS, NUMBERS OF PASSENGERS CARRIED AND VOLUME OF FREIGHT IN THOUSANDS OF TONS.
 - D. NUMBER OF STEAM AND DIESEL-ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVES IN ACTUAL USE PLUS NUMBER LISTED FOR SYSTEM. IDENTIFY COUNTRY OF MANUFACTURE OF EACH.
 - E. NUMBER OF FREIGHT AND PASSENGER CARS.
 - F. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF RAILWAY SYSTEM IN TERMS OF EXISTING DEFICIENCIES, IMPROVEMENT PLANS EITHER BEING CONSIDERED OR BEING IMPLEMENTED, CONDITION OF MAINTENANCE FACILITIES AND OTHER WORKSHOPS, AND NEED FOR FURTHER UP-DATING OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES SUCH AS TRAINING PROGRAMS.
 - G. QUANTITY AND TYPE OF LOCOMOTIVES NOW BEING SOLICITED.
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